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EXCESSIVE FORCE

In the middle of April, while in my living room in an apartment complex near downtown Eugene, I heard an explosion that shook my apartment. I looked out my window and saw an armored vehicle in the street flanked by two tactical teams holding long-guns. They were decked out in all their fancy gear. The scene was reminiscent of a hit in Baghdad. I'm sure they thought they looked pretty cool — pretty powerful.

The team's tactics were almost comically excessive, if the reality of possible outcomes wasn't so dangerous. This isn't the first time that I've seen the police use this level of force for minor cases in a relatively low-income apartment complex. I should note, too, my neighbors are Black and, given the state of affairs, I was afraid for them. The right mix of power and fear on the part of the police can have deadly outcomes. Luckily, my neighbors weren't home.

Sure, I don't know the exact details of the case. But, unless my neighbors had plans to do something like blow up a building (which they certainly didn't), the use of force was not justified. There's no violence coming out of this area. Not even any disturbances, beyond police throwing grenades at apartment doors (apparently a standard practice to warn those inside who are not involved).

In short, the whole thing was ridiculous and unnecessary. It's looking more and more like (excessive) force isn't just one of the options in the police tool kit, but the only option.

Jacob Pixler
Eugene

DI LIBERTO FOR A CHANGE AT 4J

The upcoming 4J School Board election is about change. For more than 20 years, the overall model in 4J has been about continued centralization and uniformity: More uniformity of curriculum and instruction across the district; an overriding emphasis on district-mandated standardized testing and data gathering; a decrease in allowance for innovative instruction; and a decrease in site-based decision-making by neighborhood schools.

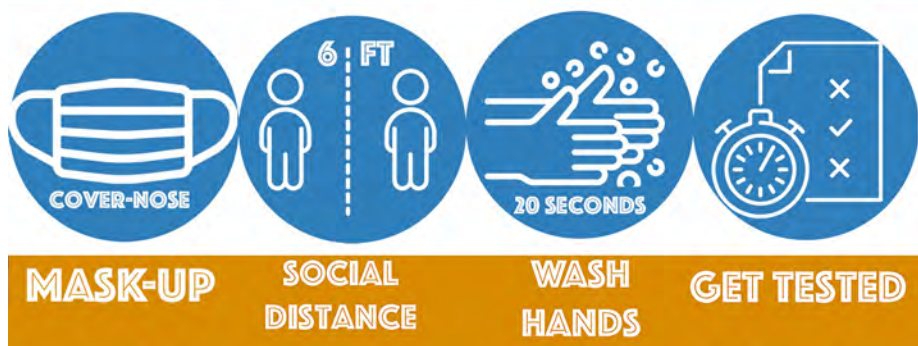
Tom Di Liberto is a candidate who understands that systems work best when the people who work in them are empowered to fully contribute their ideas and passions. With more than 30 years of teaching experience in 4J, he understands the real-world impact of district policies on life in the classroom. He understands how complicated the job is. He understands that the joy of learning is priceless and can be lost through policies that don't recognize its importance.

The status quo model is not working. But students and teachers were not asked. So, ask yourself: Is all of the testing making things better? Are teachers more content and creative in their jobs? Are students happier with a curriculum continually narrowed by teaching to the test? Is the one-size-fits-all approach best for anybody in a classroom?

If you think this system is working, then vote for the incumbent. If you think we need new, creative and well-reasoned change, please vote for Di Liberto.

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VIEWPOINT BY TOM COFFIN

Truth is the Only Currency

DOES THE SECOND AMENDMENT PROTECT GUNS OVER PEOPLE?

I have written a number of articles about the arms industry's distortion of the Second Amendment as it traffics in ever more lethal weaponry to increase its revenue, selling military grade firearms to the public at large ("The Arms Industry," *EW* 2/18). Inevitably, such weapons are used by too many of their purchasers to massacre children in their schools, shoppers in the marketplace, patrons at cinemas or nightclubs, attendees at concerts, worshippers at churches, mosques and synagogues, and anywhere else where people exercise their right to assemble.

The slaughtering of these innocents occurs regularly and the nation often emerges from mourning over the victims of one mass shooting when it is soon weeping over another — recently Atlanta (eight fatalities) and Boulder (10 fatalities) — representing a tragically growing list of mass murders by gunmen wielding semi-automatic assault weapons.

Each killing spree is followed by virtually the same script — politicians offer prayers and thoughts but immediately disappear when pressed for legislative action to regulate continued sales of the weaponry. Gun rights advocates even belittle the victims, some calling the Sandy Hook massacre a hoax (just imagine if you are a grief-stricken parent of a slain child and being told it never happened), and disparaging the survivors in Parkland, Florida, telling them to "get over it."

The most recent shooting in Boulder evoked a tone-deaf, insulting statement from the Colorado Shooting Association that it would be "emotional sensationalism" which could "cloud remembrance" of the victims to have any discussions of gun laws at this time. As usual, we are to kick the can down the road and pay homage to the fabricated version of the Second Amendment, a version which supposedly confers a right or "freedom" for an individual to kill one's neighbors with the most effectively lethal military grade weapon available.

But our founders intended no such insanity. The Declaration of Independence and our Constitution are dedicated to the People, not guns. These documents enshrine the principles of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. They did not ensure the people's right to life on the one hand, then to take it away with the other hand by a contemporaneous amendment which was focused on "a well regulated militia being necessary" as the preface for that amendment.

The Second Amendment has been re-cast in modern times to confer a virtually unregulated right for anyone without a criminal record to acquire military weaponry designed and intended to be used *within the confines of the military to inflict maximum casualties among the enemy in combat*.

I personally had an experience as a federal prosecutor in Eugene that demonstrates the fact that even the arms industry in very recent times recognized that the Second Amendment did not entitle the general public to acquire military grade firearms.

In the early 1980s a local group of investigators and prosecutors ordered a number of mini-14 semi-automatic assault rifles from

Sturm-Ruger (the manufacturer), which were shipped to the Sheriff's Office. Because the sheriff had not ordered them, an investigation was initiated by ATF because Sturm-Ruger had a strict policy at that time of only selling the weapons to the military and law enforcement departments.

The investigation determined there was no violation of the law or that policy because the purchasers did in fact have law enforcement status. But the point of the episode is this — Sturm-Ruger and several other manufacturers had themselves concluded that these weapons were military grade and were not suitable for sale to the private sector. We were so advised during the investigation by Sturm-Ruger which recognized the risk they posed to public safety if they were marketed outside the rigid command structure of the military and police.

That self-restraint collapsed as the National Rifle Association and more aggressive ownership in the arms industry pushed to increase revenue in face of a declining market for the traditional hunting and sporting rifles. At roughly the same period, seminars and articles began appearing which encouraged dramatically expanding the reach of the Second Amendment by distorting it to include the purpose of arming private individuals *on the basis that they had the right to rebel against their own government and thus had the right to possess the weaponry to do so*.

This, of course, is nonsense. The same founders who adopted the Second Amendment had contemporaneously defined treason as taking up arms against the government in the body of the Constitution.

I end with this somber warning: We the People need to restore truth as the only currency in our society which is entitled to any value.

False narratives are counterfeit currency and must be given no weight in politics, government or

the culture in which we live, raise our families, and pass on to our children. The insurrection of Jan. 6 was exactly that — an attempt to overthrow our Democracy. It is a lie to describe it as anything else. The Nov. 3, 2020, election was not rigged, stolen or fraudulent. The winner won legitimately, and the loser lost legitimately.

And firearms, especially military grade assault weapons, can be regulated and banned. Congress even did exactly that in 1994 with its Assault Weapons Ban that lasted 10 years, with no mass shootings during that period. No court held that such a ban violated the Second Amendment. But unfortunately, the AWB was not extended, and so here we are today being killed with assault weapons.

The answer to my question posed by the title of this article is emphatic and the absolute truth: *No — our Constitution does not protect guns more than people*.

Do not accept a counterfeit facsimile of the real Constitution. And don't let the politicians do so either. ■

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OUT FROM THE VOID

The Disappearance

REBEKAH BRAMEL HAS NOW BEEN MISSING FOR 14 YEARS

By Brenton Gicker

A timber crew planting trees in rural Clackamas County came upon human remains including a skull earlier this month, and the unidentified person's death is now being investigated as a homicide.

The remains predate the devastating wildfires that swept through the area in September, deputies said, and clothing scraps suggest they may have been at the location 'for some time.'

— JIM RYAN, THE OREGONIAN/OREGONLIVE, JANUARY 22, 2021

When Portland resident Ruth Ann Albro read about the unidentified remains that were discovered on Weyerhaeuser property in Molalla earlier this year, months after summer wildfires devastated the area, she found herself filled with emotion.

After all, her little sister, Rebekah Noel Bramel, disappeared from Portland in late April 2007, and the vehicle she borrowed from a friend was found abandoned on an isolated logging road — also owned by Weyerhaeuser — in rural Lane County, east of Springfield, in an area that was also devastated by the 2020 wildfires.

Nobody knows for certain what happened to Rebekah, but it is assumed that she died in the wilderness surrounding where her vehicle was located, an area that she had previously visited with her boyfriend at the time, Gary Weaverli.

According to Weaverli, “The vehicle was found parked heading into the forest with a shredded flat tire and an empty gas tank... she apparently laid out the contents of her wallet on the dashboard, with her prized cigarette case in the middle.” These were the only clues left as to her fate.

Albro wondered, like the remains found in Clackamas, could the ashes of the Holiday Farm Fire turn up skeletal remains or other evidence of what happened to Rebekah 14 years ago?

Who was Rebekah Bramel?

Rebekah was born January 9, 1981, in Portland. The youngest of five children, three girls and two boys, Re-

bekah grew up in the Portland area, where she resided at the time of her disappearance.

According to Albro, Rebekah — who studied horticulture and contemplated a career in landscape architecture — was a lifelong lover of nature. “Growing them, pruning them and being in nature admiring them,” Rebekah loved plants, she says. Rebekah also enjoyed mountain biking, jewelry-making and painting.

“Becka was beautiful inside and out,” Albro says. “She loved her nieces and nephews. Spoiled them with Chevron cars and books. She loved my mom and grandma. She loved making art and growing plants. She was a tomboy for most of her life, made friends with anyone and everyone. Loved babies, nature and dirt bikes.”

Weaverli says “Rebekah could make plants thrive through the sheer force of will; she was truly gifted at horticulture. She was sweet and kind. She would give a cigarette to anyone who asked. She loved The Ramones and could watch *The Big Lebowski* on loop.”

He continues, “She loved her brothers, her sisters and especially her nieces and nephews. She loved her mother, too, and would always make sure we attended Sunday dinner.”

Fractured relationships and untreated mental illness

In the months before her disappearance, Rebekah's behavior was erratic, evidence of what Weaverli and Albro believe was undiagnosed bipolar disorder. “I believe she was in a manic state prior to disappearing,” Albro says.

In addition to staying up all night ranting and raving and coming up with grandiose plans, Rebekah “began drinking heavily and racking up massive credit card debt, and generally became out of control,” according to Weaverli.

He took her to an appointment with a mental health specialist, but she never followed through with treatment.

Rebekah's relationship with Weaverli, friends, and family had become strained. The last time anyone saw her was when she showed up at her mother's Portland residence in late April 2007. It was late, and Rebekah was behaving strangely. Her mother asked her to go home and get some sleep.



Weaverli says he saw her a day or two before that, when “she arrived at my house at about 3 am, drunk and babbling. I was able to get her to lie down and she immediately fell asleep. In the morning she left promptly.”

Weaverli never heard from her again.

What happened to Rebekah Bramel?

“I had no reason to believe she was a danger to others,” Weaverli says, “but she clearly had become a danger to herself. More than once, she told me that the world would be a better place if she never existed.”

A major setback in figuring out what happened to Rebekah was the gap between when her vehicle turned up and when the tow company notified the owner that it had been recovered. The vehicle sat on the tow lot for about a month before the owner was notified. The tow company should have notified the police about the vehicle immediately, which would have triggered a search effort. The tow company's negligence resulted in a major delay in search efforts that might have been successful had they been conducted sooner.

While there are a number of possibilities, and we may never know what really happened to Rebekah, she most likely committed suicide.

According to Weaverli, “She drove her friend's truck into the forest as far as it would go. I believe that with the same force of will she exhibited with plants, she deliberately let herself die. I think she managed to hide herself deep in the forest and then purposely stayed in that location until death. I think she is still there; it was her one perfect act. She truly disappeared without a trace, trying to fulfill the sad wish to have ‘never existed.’ Of course, for those who loved her, that erasure was never possible.” ■

Brenton Gicker is a registered nurse who lives and works in the Eugene/Springfield area. He has written several stories about local missing people. He can be reached at outfromthevoid@yahoo.com.

slant

• In our April 15 Slant column we wrote about a big new **Eugene Police Department rig that looks like it came straight out of the military**. The latest *ACLU Magazine* confirms that “since 1997 the U.S. Department of Defense's 1033 program has distributed more than \$7.4 billion worth of military weapons to over 8,000 law enforcement agencies.” The mobile command vehicle was funded through \$431,221 of Fleet replacement money and by Community Safety Initiative funds of up to \$280,000. We don't feel our community is made safer by massive vehicles or military weapons. Militarizing the police is not a good thing for Eugene and America.

• The only thing louder than a screaming bald eagle

is the screaming **Trump-related merch deals at the Lane County Republican Party headquarters**. Some of the available discounted merchandise at the “Patriot Shop Online” include Trump 2020 facemasks marked down up to 50 percent off and a Trump flag with a manufacturer's warning that it can't withstand heavy winds (what a metaphor).

• **Since the University of Oregon administration thinks it's perfectly OK to pay women-identifying professors less than male** who hold the same full professor position, have less seniority and are no more accomplished, per the school's arguments in the lawsuit filed by prominent psychology Prof. Jennifer Freyd, members of the UO Senate have taken a stand. A motion that “opposes any further efforts by the UO Administration to limit the availability of the Equal

Pay Act's protections in professional settings” has 90 cosponsors. The vote takes place the afternoon of April 28, after *EW* goes to press, so we will update online.

• Also in higher ed news, on Monday, April 26, **the faculty at Oregon Institute of Technology in Klamath Falls went on strike** after 16 months of failed negotiations between the administration and the American Association of University Professors. It's the first-ever faculty strike at an Oregon university, according to a press release from the OIT union chapter. Ninety-two percent of the union approved a strike if an agreement wasn't met. Faculty are calling for higher wages and health care coverage for full and half time faculty. As *EW* went to press, the union is still picketing.

A Solution to Ending Homelessness Might Be in the Data

DATA-DRIVEN APPROACHES ARE ELIMINATING HOMELESSNESS IN COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE U.S.
IS EUGENE NEXT?

By Mia Ryder-Marks

On a dewy January morning, clipboard-toting volunteers met up in communities across the U.S., including Eugene, to walk through streets, parks, encampments, underpasses and woodland areas — asking those they came across, “Where did you stay last night?”

Every year, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) conducts its annual point-in-time (PIT) count. For one day, community members complete a headcount that feeds Congress' national report for how many people are experiencing homeless for that year. The 2020 count estimated 580,466 people nationwide were homeless, according to HUD.

But advocates are beginning to wonder how accurate this number is, and why we continue to collect a snapshot of an issue that changes daily. These questions hit home in a place like Eugene, which is a leading city for homelessness per capita, according to HUD's 2020 data.

To target gaps within the system, housing advocates like Community Solutions have begun pivoting their data collection away from the once-a-year estimate to a rolling data set that captures homelessness's fluid motion. The data-driven approach has eradicated homelessness in some communities across the U.S. and could provide a solution for Eugene.

Homelessness to zero

In 2015, the New York City-based nonprofit organization launched its Built for Zero project. Since then, its approach has shown that data analytics can effectively address this growing problem.

The strategy understands that no two communities are the same. Instead of working individually towards the same answer, cities form a collective team of critical stakeholders such as HUD's Continuum of Care, which is representatives from organizations that coordinate the implementation of housing services, local governments, housing authorities, veteran services and nonprofit organizations.

Alongside the Built for Zero project team, the group of community members gather real-time data on their city by creating a monthly data pool where they can identify their homeless community by name — as well as their age, race, veteran status and how long they've been homeless.

This aids local governments in understanding who this population is and where they reach roadblocks to being housed. Alongside improvement coaches and data analytic experts, districts are guided in tearing down those barriers, says Beth Sandor, Community Solution's principal and Built for Zero co-director.

Built for Zero targets two types of homelessness — chronic, which means an individual has been homeless for a year or longer, and veteran, where someone who has served in the armed forces is living without accommodation. Communities aim to reach a “functional zero” milestone with these two groups, which does not mean there are no homeless individuals within the community. Instead, the population is low enough that it is achievable to find solutions to house everyone.

For veterans, this means “the number of veterans experiencing homelessness is less than the number of veterans a community has proven it can house in a month,” according to the Community Solutions' website. For chronic homeless people, it means communities have three or fewer people experiencing homelessness within their region.

Built for Zero is working with 83 communities across the U.S. With the disciplined data format, five cities have ended chronic homelessness, 12 have ended veteran homelessness, and three have ended both.

“Data-driven decisions really helped us learn and identify where improvement needed to take place,” says Heather Kimme, the assistant executive director for the local housing authority in Bakersfield, California, a city that ended chronic homelessness in 2020, according to a Community Solution's report.

Eugene has the numbers. Now it's about what we do with them.

Off West 11th Avenue, multi-colored tents and tarps pinch together in the large empty lot alongside the busy road. Empty tin cans and assorted trash spill over the metal bars of neglected shopping carts, flattened cardboard boxes lay against the grass, flapping against the soft Oregon breeze. The multi-billion dollar company, Walmart, paints a contrasting backdrop to the product of Eugene's critical housing problem.

This is one of the many self-constructed communities formed by some of the roughly 3,000 individuals who experience homelessness in Lane County every month.

Although Eugene exhibited an almost 26 percent decrease in numbers this past year, in 2019, the city led the nation with its houseless community per capita. Right around the time, Lisë Stuart, a senior management analyst for Lane County, was approached by Kaiser-Permanente, a health care company that works with the Built for Zero project, inquiring if the county would be interested in joining Built for Zero.

Lane County implemented a homeless-by-name list (HBNL), which uses data already tracked from the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). This system aids community leaders to visualize and determine the who, what, where, when, why and how individuals are experiencing homelessness by collective numbers based on how many people access human services each month.

While the 2020 PIT count estimated 1,606 individuals were experiencing homelessness in Lane County, the HBNL pinpointed 9,107 unduplicated individuals that accessed a service in the county for that given year.

“The Point in Time count is like a picture. You can take a picture of your trip to Yosemite and then take it home. But you can't experience it,” Sarai Johnson, the joint housing and shelter strategist for Lane County and Eugene, says. “That snapshot could never capture everything that's happening and the workings of what's going on. So the by-name list is more like a continuously moving picture.”

The data visualization tools aid county officials in identifying trends, such as where people are experienc-

ing homelessness most. Eugene dominates within the county with nearly 76 percent of the homeless population as of March, and Springfield charts second place with 10 percent.

Some of the Pallet shelters that sprinkle throughout the county were placed in areas where data stressed the need for them. Stuart says, “We were able to identify where people are currently experiencing homelessness, not that one time a year story.” Pallet shelters are rapidly constructed shelters designed for those facing homelessness or natural disasters.

Right beside the Lane County Behavioral Services Center, a grey and blue building perched on a brick frame welcomes visitors with freshly cut grass and trees sprouting from a lifted garden. The Commons on MLK is a 51-unit Housing First complex by Homes for Good and set to house part of the county's houseless population. Reviewing data on the homeless beyond the PIT count helped the Poverty and Homelessness Board, a group of community stakeholders who represent the concerns of people experiencing homelessness, move forward with the complex, Stuart says.

The data also tracks the inflow and outflow, as homelessness is like an ever-moving conveyor belt. Stuart says, “We definitely see in our data that once somebody has experienced homelessness, the likelihood of them returning to homelessness is very high,” Stuart says.

While people are entering the system every month, people are also dropping out as they move into permanent housing. It is also common for some to temporarily disappear, perhaps while couch-surfing with friends or spending time incarcerated.

However, not all homeless service providers contribute to HMIS, limiting the county in collecting a complete data album. As well, the pandemic has significant impacts on individuals accessing services. Individuals may avoid accessing services in the county to prevent contracting the virus, which can have severe consequences for the homeless, as many do not have health insurance.

“It's important for us to know that there are other people experiencing some kind of homelessness under the radar,” Johnson says.

Don't count Eugene out

To prevent the spread of COVID, HUD issued the option for modifications in the PIT count this year, and Lane County Human Services opted to use its HBNL, says Alexandria Dreher, the county's program services coordinator. They weren't the only ones; cities with large homeless populations like Los Angeles and Seattle also used their HMIS systems. This invites the question of whether the nation is beginning to shift towards a data system that the nation can count on.

Sandor says, “There is not a community that doesn't have data. It's about how we use that information, to problem solve and iterate the solutions.” ■

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Endorsements!

It's an educational election in May

BY EW EDITORIAL BOARD AND STAFF



LAURAL O'ROURKE

As they say, all politics is local, and in Lane County, local politics gets heated when it's school board elections.

The issues are huge in K-12 education — racism and diversity, COVID, standardized testing and more. We are impressed by all the people willing to take on this tough and important duty. Good board members are simultaneously independent thinkers, willing to question how the board is voting and why, and yet also able to function effectively with other board members they may not always agree with to get things done.

It's great when voters and candidates get fired up about the school board — especially if it means positive changes for the kids. So knowing that Eugene and surrounding communities take their school boards seriously, our small editorial board Zoomed with as many candidates as we could, and sent surveys out to the ones who we either couldn't squeeze in or who didn't respond. Some candidates didn't respond in time or at all.

If your local school board race isn't in here and you want voters to know about it, please send a letter in about it — Letters@EugeneWeekly.com. Ballots went out April 29, the same day *Eugene Weekly* is published, but there's still time before Election Day on May 18 to let readers know what you think. Any letters we can't fit in print, we run online.

Check out the candidates and vote!

Lane Community College

Zone 1

Holli Johnson

Mark Boren

Thomas Jennings

The Lane Community College Board of Education made history when it appointed Holli Johnson in March, making her the first African American board member in the college's history. In May, voters can make history by electing the first-ever African American woman to a four-year term to the LCC board.

Johnson attended community college in Santa Barbara, California, at the start of her education career, and she told *EW* that a kind administrator helped her navigate

the process when she first enrolled. After graduating from community college, she went on to earn a bachelor's degree from the University of Oregon and then a master's at Oregon State. She's worked in education for 25 years, with an impressive résumé.

Johnson previously told *EW* that if elected, she wants to work on the sustainability of the adult and continuing education programs and retaining staff of color with working wages.

With her lived experience as a student and then as a higher education employee, we're confident that Johnson as a board member will have the best needs of students and staff in mind while addressing upcoming big issues, such as budgets and LCC's diversity retention problems.

Zone 3

Mike Eyster unopposed

Zone 4

Austin Fohnagy unopposed

Zone 5, 2 Year Unexpired Term

Steve Mital

Al King

For two terms, Steve Mital served on the Eugene Water and Electric Board. Now he says he's ready to run for the Lane Community College Board of Education — and we agree.

Mital works as the sustainability director at the University of Oregon and founded the Environmental Leadership Program at the UO in 2001. But what we're impressed with is the manner in which he's learned to serve as a member of a governing board in his time on the EWEB board. During those two terms, he says he's learned how to instruct staff politely to present more information about decisions and hold them accountable at the same time.

LCC's Board of Education will be making big decisions in the next four years, such as the school's next Five-Year Strategic Plan. With Mital on the board, we know he'll ask the tough questions to staff, ensuring the board has all of the right information to make the right decisions.

Eugene School District #4J

Position 2

Laural O'Rourke

Harry Sanger

A longtime Eugene resident with a career in public service, Laural O'Rourke is the advocate for equity and diversity that the 4J school board needs. Incumbent Anne Marie Levis dropped out of the race to support O'Rourke, and we believe the voters should support her, too.

If elected, O'Rourke would be the only Black woman on the board and wants to use her position to support all students and teachers of color. She is also a mother to three children with IEPs and understands the needs and struggles of special education. We admired O'Rourke's desire to make sure all students have equal opportunities and are getting the help they need to be successful.

A priority of O'Rourke's campaign is expanding career technical education (CTE) programs, which she calls "skills before bills," a strategy that encourages students to choose CTEs if it suits them, rather than as a last resort.

As students return to classrooms, the 4J school board will have to navigate through the rest of the pandemic, and we believe O'Rourke's attentiveness to the needs of students and teachers will serve the board well.

Position 3

Tom Di Liberto

Judy Newman

Bryan Costa

Starting as a classroom teacher some 40 years ago, Judy Newman eventually moved into working with special education and early learning issues. Highly respected at the state level, she is an important link on the 4J board currently and becomes even more important when major money comes to the district from the state for the Student Success Act.

Now that she has served one term on the board she says she is better qualified to deal with the dynamics of this seven-member governing body. She says she believes

HOLLI JOHNSON



there is too much testing of our students. She has formed partnerships with the community, and, as she puts it, Newman knows special education “inside and out.”

Tom Di Liberto, retired Spanish teacher, is well-liked by colleagues he has worked with and has been a leader with the Eugene Education Association, the teachers' union. Newman is endorsed by education leaders such as former 4J Superintendents Gustavo Balderas and George Russell and former Springfield Superintendent Nancy Golden. Newman’s careful and independent thinking earned her the board’s endorsement.

Position 6
Maya Rabasa

Dakota James Boulette dropped out
After many years volunteering in 4J schools and on the district budget committee, Maya Rabasa is ready to take on a position of leadership. Her opponent, Dakota James Boulette, thought so too, so he stepped down from running to endorse her, though he was too late to remove his name from the ballot.

Rabasa grew up speaking Spanish and French, learning English in public schools. As a member of Eugene’s Latinx community, she says she has an awareness of the issues facing BIPOC students. She says her vision is to improve equity in the district by more actively engaging with the Equity Tool.

As a new voice on the board, Rabasa also says she strongly believes in transparency in communicating



district policy and decisions, so that all stakeholders, from teachers to students to parents, are heard.

Rabasa, who has children in 4J schools, says she is committed to making the district better. This is not her first time running, and it’s clear she is committed. We believe that the board would be well off with her on it.

Lane Education Service District
Position 1 Zone 1
Sydney Shenk Kissinger unopposed

Position 3 Zone 3
Vanessa Truett unopposed

Position 6 At-Large
Rose Wilde
Rich Cunningham

As a Lane ESD board member since 2013, Rose Wilde has the experience and passion to serve on the board for another term. She says after eight years on the board, she has fine tuned her vision for education in Lane County, and we think voters should support it.

Wilde wants to expand opportunities for career and technical education and promote restorative justice over punishments for all students, especially those in special education who are often punished disproportionately. She also wants to ensure all students have equal access to various education opportunities, regardless of education level. *EW*’s editorial board believes in Wilde’s determination to ensure the success of students across Lane County.

Bethel School District #52
Position 1
Alan Laisure
Caleb Clark

Position 2
Ashley Espinoza unopposed

Position 5
Paul Jorgensen unopposed

Position 7
Debi Farr unopposed

Junction City School District #69
Position 1, 2 Year Unexpired Term
Alaire Fajardo

Kari Bennett did not respond
Ryan Ceniga did not respond

Alaire Fajardo tells us that Junction City School District has more than 25 percent BIPOC students, and if elected she will become the first Latinx woman to serve on the board. “I welcome being that trailblazer,” she writes in response to *EW*’s questions, “and the challenges it may entail.” With endorsements from state Sen. James Manning and Bureau of Labor and Industries Commissioner Val Hoyle as well as a background serving on the district’s Racial Justice Team Strategic Planning Committee, Fajardo is *EW*’s endorsement and one to watch.

Position 2
Scott Gibson unopposed

Position 3
Mark Christensen
Kristina Holton

Position 5
Mark Inman

Position 6
Jacque Gerdes
Jesse C. Springer

Jacque Gerdes is the incumbent in this school board race, and we like what she has to say on standardized testing in the pandemic (wait during COVID and assess the need later) as well as her focus on equity and inclusion. Her work in supported employment for individuals with disabilities is an excellent background to bring to this position.

Springfield School District #19
Position 2
Emilio Hernandez Jr

Position 3
Steven Hadley
Brandy Crosby
Jonathan Light
Anthony Reed
Samantha Alcantar

Zachary Bessett is currently in this seat and is the chair of the school board but isn’t seeking re-election. The crowded field pursuing the position includes some impressive candidates, but for us it comes down to Jonathan Light and Anthony Reed.

Light has experience on the school board, getting elected in 2001 and serving until 2016 when he stepped down. He was a teacher for 15 years, four of which a teacher on special assignment in the Springfield school district. Born and raised in Springfield, Light says students take too many standardized tests, which waste time that could be better spent learning critical thinking skills or career technical education. Schools have taken an assembly line approach to education, but it’s time to make it more individual-based, he tells *EW*.

Reed grew up in Oakridge but has lived in the Springfield area for 15 years. He’s a union carpenter and a personal service worker for adults with developmental

disabilities. As a person who works in a trade, Reed tells *EW* that he hopes the school district can expand its CTE programs and introduce pre-apprenticeship classes and build partnerships with unions and contractors. He also says he’d like to see the school board offer staff anti-racist training and evaluate hiring practices to ensure they’re following equitable practices.

Bessett endorsed Light in a Facebook post, and Reed has the support from Bureau of Labor and Industries Commissioner Val Hoyle, and *EW* says Springfield won’t go wrong with either candidate.

Position 5
Kelly Mason
Ruth Linoz

Lisa Barrager dropped out

Kelly Mason grew up in Springfield and is the product of the local school district, giving her a unique perspective on the consequences of board decisions. Lisa Barrager, the incumbent, was seeking re-election but decided to drop out of the race to support Mason, and we believe voters would be wise to support Mason, too.

Mason is an academic advisor and bilingual liaison for the low-income, first generation scholarships program PathwayOregon at the University of Oregon, and if elected would be the youngest member of the board. As Springfield’s Latino population increases, we’re confident that Mason can be a figure on the school board to make the



district an inclusive and equitable place for all.

Her campaign has an impressive list of supporters, including Lane County Commissioner Joe Berney, Bureau of Labor and Industries Commissioner Val Hoyle, state Sen. Lee Beyer, Springfield School Board Member Emilio Hernandez — and more.

Mason is running against Ruth Linoz, the Republican nominee who ran against state Rep. John Lively in November 2020.

Measures
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Supporting 4-H and OSU Extension Programs in Lane County

The Oregon State University Extension is the service that brings you programs such as Master Gardener, Master Food Preserver, Food Pantry and Master Woodland Manager. And programs such as food security, economic development, wildfire resiliency and emergency preparedness are necessary in our current pandemic, during wildfire season and in case that Cascadia quake hits in our lifetimes. According to Friends of Extension, a local option tax measure of 1.5 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value was approved by 70 percent of Lane County voters in 2016 and expires this year. The current proposed measure would be a local option tax of 2.8 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value for five years, so a property assessed at \$200,000 would be charged \$5.60 per year. For less than the cost of two lattes a year, you can support Extension and the work 4H does with local youth. Works for us. ■



Sometimes, you just have to have a socially safe party in a pandemic. The BIPOC and LGBTQIA++ communities come out in force this weekend for what organizers bill as a “Queermunity” event at Spectrum, **Drag Queens and Vaccine! A vaccine clinic for our BIPOC and LGBTQIA++ Community featuring Moderna.** Registered nurses from White Bird Clinic will join volunteers to poke the arms and stroke the egos of historically underserved communities in these uncertain times. “COVID-19 has hit both of these communities very hard,” says DJ Kelly-Quattrocchi, a volunteer organizer, “yet the direct outreach has not centered these identities, let alone the intersection of both identities.” The headliner this weekend is Ms. Dolly Parton’s Moderna. Why not? Also, HIV and STI testing is provided by HIV Alliance. And, yes, there’s entertainment. There has to be entertainment. DJing from Tinta Turnter and Purity L’Chaste is featured, as well as drag queens, kings and in-betweens.

Drag Queens and Vaccines! A vaccine clinic for our BIPOC and LGBTQIA++ Community is 3 pm to 7 pm Saturday and Sunday, May 1 and May 2 at Spectrum, 150 W. Broadway. Pre-registration is required at Tinyurl.com/QTclinic. Second-dose appointments will be made after the first dose for either May 29 or May 30, same times and same place. Spanish translators are available. — *Dan Buckwalter*

GENERAL

LISTINGS ARE FREE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

ART EXHIBITS

Transcending Borders (thru April 30), Maude Kerns Art Ctr.

Garrick Imatani: Monologue (thru May 1), noon-4pm by appointment, Anti-Aesthetic.

Mark Clarke (1935-2016): Discoveries (thru May 2), Karin Clarke Gallery.

Exhibition: The Vanishing West: Photographs by Rich Bergeman (April 30-June 12), White Lotus Gallery.

Duet Focus Exhibit - Barb Meyer + Christine Hannegan and Duet Window Exhibit - Anna Mallard + Ann Durley (thru June 30), River Gallery in Independence.

Studio 7 re-opening w/ an exciting group exhibit ft. 7 artist. More info at Studio 7 Facebook.

Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, JSMA.UOoregon.edu.

DANCE

Terpsichore (May 1 thru May 9), Majestic.org. \$5-20.

FILM

Heritage Broadcasting Service (Eugene) has more than 125 titles to choose from, including recent additions

Agave Is Life, Etched In Bone and *Karlu Karlu*. More info at HeritageTac.org.

GATHERINGS

Job Search Help by appointment at the downtown library. Call 541-686-7985 to schedule.

HEALTH

YMCA Choose-Your-Own Fitness Adventure: Oregon Edition (March 15-Sept. 13). More info at EugeneYMCA.org.

Zoom workout classes at CrossFit. Email Contact@CrossFitIntensify.com for more info.

Workout classes at IAmForeverStrong.com.

Workout classes at Evolve Fitness Studios. More info at Facebook.

Workout & Yoga Classes at West Lane Fitness in Veneta. More info at WestLane-Fitness.com.

Yoga & Workout Classes at Yoga West Eugene. More info at YogaWestEugene.com

Yoga classes at EugeneYoga.us; WildLightYogaCenter.com; EugeneMudra.com; HotYogaEugeneBalanced.com; YogaEugene.com.

All levels of yoga (chair, advanced, yoga for health care workers and children) at Vista Wellness Ctr. Visit VistaPsych.com for more info.

KIDS/FAMILY

Giveaway: Bilingual Books for Kids (thru May 1), all Eugene Public Library locations.

2nd annual Kids (and Adults) Art Auction (thru May 10). Contact Alex at Alex@aFamilyForEveryChild.org for more info.

StoryWalks in the Parks w/ Eugene Public Library (Sheldon Community Ctr. - *Thank You, Mr. Panda*; Petersen Barn Community

Ctr. - *Dreamers/Soñadores* - thru May 3). More info at 541-682-5450 or at Eugene-or.gov/library.

LECTURES/CLASSES

Art Course classes, Galleria at the Smith. More info at GalleriaAtTheSmith.org.

The Gutenberg Dialogues: An In-depth look at Tyranny (every Wednesday thru May 19), 6:30-8pm. More info at Gutenberg.edu. \$32-63.

MUSIC

Eugene Symphony Soundwaves V ft. film score music and Dvořák’s *Serenade for Strings* (May 6-13), 7pm, EugeneSymphony.org.

Oregon Mozart Players “All-Out Amadeus!” 7:30pm, (May 1-31), “She Says” w/ violinist Chee-Yun (thru May 10), OregonMozartPlayers.org. \$5-25 sug. donation.

RECREATION

Card games at High Mountain Poker. More info at 541-485-0090 and at HighMountainPoker.com.

THEATER

Marisol’s Christmas and Watermelon Kisses (April 30 thru June 30), Theatre. UOoregon.edu.

Teatro Milagro presents *Blast Off!* (April 30 thru May), Majestic Theatre, Majestic.org. FREE-\$10.

THURSDAY

APRIL 29

ARTS/CRAFTS

Galleria at The Smith: Artist Gallery & Marketplace, noon-6pm, 786 E. 13th Ave.

HEALTH

NAMI Family Support Zoom Group @ NAMILane.org. RSVP at NAMILane.org.

LECTURES/CLASSES

Healing through Discussion Support Group (via Zoom), 9:30-11am, HealingAttention.org. \$15.

Feldenkrais® class, 10-11am & 6-7pm. More info at Body-WorkBySabine.com.

Art Course: Bague Drawing in the Academic Tradition (every Thursday thru May 20), 5:30-7:30pm, Galleria at the Smith. \$20-100.

Black Hair Matters (girls 10-18), 6-7:30pm, RSVP by April 27 at OpheliasPlace.net.

MUSIC

Skip Jones & Steve Arriola, 6pm, Mac’s Nightclub & Restaurant.

ON THE AIR

“The Point,” 9am, KOPV, 88.0 FM

Thursday eKLeCtic, 8-10pm, KLCC, 89.7FM

“Arts Journal,” 9pm, Comcast channel 29

RECREATION

Trivia w/ Elliot Martinez, 6-8pm, Covered Bridge Brewing Group in Cottage Grove (weather permitting; more info on Facebook).

SPIRITUAL

Zen Meditation, 7-8am, Blue Cliff Zen Ctr, 352 W. 12th Ave.

FRIDAY

APRIL 30

ART/CRAFT

Galleria at The Smith: Artist Gallery & Marketplace, noon-6pm.

FILM

Wheels & Reels Drive In Movies: *Manos The Hands of Fate*, 8:30pm, Old Nick’s Pub. \$8.

GATHERINGS

Oakridge-Westfir Tree Planting Festival, various locations, all day. More info at OakridgeWestfirTree-PlantingFestival.com.

Grandopening & Raffle w/ Save The Date Bridal and Formal (thru Sunday), 10am-5pm, SaveTheDateBridalandFormal.com.

City Club of Eugene: “Seeing the Forest for the Trees: The Emerald Valley’s Urban Forest,” noon, Eugene City Club Facebook. Aired again at 7pm Monday, May 3 on KLCC, 89.7 FM

Food Not Bombs, cooking starts at noon (email EugeneFoodNotBombs@gmail.com for location), serves at 4pm at Park Blocks, E. 8th Ave. & Oak St. next to fountains.

LECTURES/CLASSES

“Strong Winds and Widow Makers: A History of Workers, Nature and Environmental Conflict in Pacific Northwest Timber Country, 1900 to the Present,” noon, OHC.UOoregon.edu.

Art Course: Creating Form with Light and Shade, 3-5pm, Galleria at the Smith. \$20-100 for 6-week course.

Expression Through Art (via Zoom), 4-5pm, HealingAttention.org. \$15.

MARKETS

The Emporium Veneta, a pop-up shop, noon-6pm, Elmira Grange, 88764 Sprague Rd.

MUSIC

The Porch Band, 6pm, Territorial Vineyards.

Friday Night Folk Music Live Stream, 7pm. More info at Kathryn Rose Celtic Folk Festival Facebook page.

SPIRITUAL

Zen Meditation (instruction provided), 7pm. Zoom only at BlueCliffZen.org.

SATURDAY

MAY 1

ART/CRAFT

May Day Clay Day, 10am-4pm, Maude Kerns Art Ctr.

FARMERS MARKETS

Saturday Farmers Market, 9am-3pm, 5th Ave. between High & Oak streets.

FILM

Wheels & Reels Drive In Movies: *The Wicker Man* (1973), 8:30pm, Old Nick’s Pub. \$8.

GATHERINGS

Drag Queens & Vaccines! A vaccine clinic for BIPOC and LGBTQIA++ communities (also Sunday), 3-7pm, Spectrum.

Vegetable Starts, Plant Sale, noon-5pm, Emerald Village.

HEALTH

Mental Health Wellness Challenge. More info at WFTS.org or at 541-762-4537.

Drag Queens & Vaccines, 3-7pm, Spectrum. Register at Tinyurl.com/QTclinic.

MARKETS

Eugene Saturday Market, 10am-4pm, Park Blocks, 8th Ave. & Oak St.

The Emporium Veneta, a pop-up shop, noon-6pm, Elmira Grange, 88764 Sprague Rd.

MUSIC

Geoffrey Mays, 6pm, Territorial Vineyards.

ON THE AIR

The Dr. Yeti Show, 10pm-midnight, KOOF, 92.5 FM or streamed at KOOF.org.

The Institute of Spectra Sound, 10pm-midnight, KEPW, 97.3 FM



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SUNDAY

MAY 2

GATHERINGS

Burrito Brigade, 11am-4pm. More info at BurritoBrigade.org.

HEALTH

Occupy Medical, noon-4pm, 1717 Centennial Blvd, Spfd.

MARKETS

Whiteaker Community Market, 11am-4pm, 4th & Blair at Scobert Park.

The Emporium Veneta, a pop-up shop, noon-6pm, Elmira Grange, 88764 Sprague Rd.

RECREATION

Brewers Guild Bingo, 3-6pm, Covered Bridge Brewing Group in Cottage Grove (weather permitting; more info on Facebook).

SPIRITUAL

Zen Meditation, 4:30pm, Blue Cliff Zen Ctr, 352 W. 12th Ave.

Eugene Insight Meditation via Zoom, 6:30pm, Eugene-Insight.com.

MONDAY

MAY 3

KIDS/FAMILY

Activity Kits for Kids: Bike Month, starting 10am, all Eugene Public Library locations.

LECTURES/CLASSES

Feldenkrais® class, 10-11am & 6-7pm, More info at Body-WorkBySabine.com.

Lunchtime Meditation, noon-12:30pm. More info at MeditateInEugene.org. \$1.

Countering Violent Extremism in Pakistan - Online Event, 4pm, Caps.UOregon.edu.

Live Virtual Sexuality Education - Planned Parenthood of Southwestern Oregon, 4-5:15pm, Planned-Parenthood.org. \$100.

LITERARY ARTS

Rainbow Reads, 6-8pm, WordCrafters.org.

TUESDAY

MAY 4

FARMERS MARKETS

Tuesday Farmers Market, 10am-3pm, Park Blocks, 8th Ave. & Oak St.

GATHERINGS

OP Vaccine Clinic - May the Vax Be With You (girls 16-18), 3-6pm, Ophelia's Place.

RSVP at bit.ly/3tVHog or call 541-284-4333 for more info. A Star Wars-themed clinic. No registrant will be turned away.

KIDS/FAMILY

Family Storytime, 11am, Eugene Public Library Facebook.

LECTURES/CLASSES

Gentle Restorative Yoga w/ Robert, 10-11am, HealingAttention.org. \$15.

Environmental historian explores life in the Arctic, noon, OHC.UOregon.edu.

Lunchtime Meditation, noon-12:30pm. More info at MeditateInEugene.org. \$1.

Live Virtual Sexuality Education, 3-4pm, PlannedParenthood.org. \$100.

Figure Drawing sessions, 6-9pm, The Church, 3rd & Monroe.

Shift to E-Bikes: A virtual workshop, 7-8:15pm, RSVP at Shift-to-Ebikes.eventbrite.com.

LITERARY ARTS

TransPonder Book Club, 5-6pm, Transponder.Community.

MUSIC

Karaoke w/ Caught in the act Entertainment, 5pm, Covered Bridge Brewing Group in Cottage Grove (weather permitting; more info on Facebook).

WEDNESDAY

MAY 5

LECTURES/CLASSES

Write Club!, 10am-1pm, WordCrafters.org. \$119-329.

Lunchtime Meditation, noon-12:30pm. More info at MeditateInEugene.org. \$1.

Nia: Moving to Heal, 3-4pm, HealingAttention.org. \$15.

Live Virtual Sexuality Education, 4-5:15pm, Planned-Parenthood.org. \$100.

Gender Diverse Yoga, 5:30-6:30pm, Transponder.Community.

Ideas on Tap: The Rise and Fall of the Chorus in Rock and Pop Songs, 1964-2020, 6pm, MNCH.UOregon.edu.

MUSIC

Live music - Acoustic, 5-8pm, Covered Bridge Brewing Group in Cottage Grove (weather permitting; more info on Facebook).

ON THE AIR

"Come Together Oregon," 6pm, KEPW, 97.3 FM

SPIRITUAL

Zen Meditation, 7-8am, Blue Cliff Zen Center, 352 W. 12th Ave.

THURSDAY

MAY 6

ARTS/CRAFTS

Galleria at The Smith: Artist Gallery & Marketplace, noon-6pm, 786 E. 13th Ave.

GATHERINGS

Hearing Voices Group Meeting in the Park, 1-2:30pm, Alton Baker Park, 100 Day Island Rd.

HEALTH

NAMI Family Support Zoom Group @ NAMILane.org. RSVP at NAMILane.org.

LECTURES/CLASSES

Healing through Discussion Support Group (via Zoom), 9:30-11am, HealingAttention.org. \$15.

Feldenkrais® class, 10-11am & 6-7pm. More info at Body-WorkBySabine.com.

Live Virtual Sexuality Education, 3-4pm, PlannedParenthood.org. \$100.

Amir Zaki: "Building and Becoming," 4pm, Calendar. UOregon.edu.

Art Course: Bargue Drawing in the Academic Tradition (every Thursday thru May 20), 5:30-7:30pm, Galleria at the Smith. \$20-100.

Black Hair Matters (girls 10-18), 6-7:30pm, RSVP by April 27 at OpheliasPlace.net.

MUSIC

Tim McLoughlin Trio, 6pm, Territorial Vineyards

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The Beauty of Ordinary Things

PHIL COLEMAN BRINGS LIFE TO FLOWER PHOTOGRAPHS AT THE ARTS CENTER IN CORVALLIS

By Ester Barkai

There's an adage that knowing the explanation for something ruins the ability to appreciate that thing's beauty. For retired physicist Phil Coleman, it's the opposite. Knowing why the sky is blue, he says, makes him appreciate a sunset even more.

In *Up Close: Celebrating the Wonders of Nature in Art and Photography*, which runs until May 8 at The Arts Center in Corvallis, Coleman brings this appreciation to his photographs of flowers.

He describes his life in two acts. In Act I he was a physicist who used photography to document his experiments. For Act II, he is a photographer whose goal is to present "ordinary things in a new way."

His images, though, can be anything but ordinary: A row of buds in different states of bloom are detached from the stalk on which they grow and hang in mid-air. They seem more animal than vegetable, as if they could fly off any second.

Coleman took most of these pictures during the pandemic. Photographing flowers around his home, he felt relieved to see that nature does not shut down. He certainly hasn't been alone finding

comfort in nature. These past 13 months, for many of us, being outdoors has been a way to experience normalcy, seeing things go on as always.

Showing with Coleman is Tara Kate, an illustrator/scientist who specializes in birds.

Up Close will be up until May 8 at The Arts Center, 700 SW Madison Avenue, Corvallis. Hours are noon to 5 pm Wednesday through Saturday. Free.



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Notice of Planned Budget Committee Meetings

The City of Eugene and Eugene Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee is preparing to provide its recommendations on the FY22 budget to the City Council. The Budget Committee wants your help in setting funding priorities for our community. Please join the Budget Committee at its planned upcoming meetings to learn more and speak about your priorities.

Due to Governor Kate Brown's Stay Home, Save Lives Executive Order to combat the spread of COVID-19, all Budget Committee meetings will be held virtually. Information about how to access meetings, provide public comment, and obtain meeting materials is available at www.eugene-or.gov/BudgetCommittee.

Budget Committee Deliberation and Public Comment on FY22 Proposed Budget

5:30 p.m. • Wednesday, May 12, 2021
5:30 p.m. • Wednesday, May 19, 2021

Budget Committee Deliberation, Public Comment, and Recommendation on FY22 Proposed Budget

5:30 p.m. • Wednesday, May 26, 2021

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LEGAL NOTICES

Legal Notices

Estate Lee Alan Lyman, deceased. **NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS** (Case No. 21PB02781) In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Lane, Probate Department. Notice is hereby given that Sam Friedenberg has been Appointed as personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned personal representative at: 6500 SW Macadam Ave., Ste. 300, Portland, OR 97239-3565 within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative/attorney. Dated and first published 04/15/21. /s/ Sam Friedenberg, Attorney Personal Representative. Sam Friedenberg, OSB #852056, Law Offices of Nay & Friedenberg LLC, Attorney for Personal Representative, Portland, OR 97239-3565

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR DOUGLAS COUNTY. In the Matter of the Estate of Tamara Leigh King, Deceased. Case No. 21PB03328 **NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS.** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-titled estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the personal representative, care of the Wasley Law Office, P.O. 142 West 8th Avenue Eugene, Oregon 97401, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative, Philip Wasley. Dated and first published April 29, 2021. Personal Representative: /s/ Kelly Kerns

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LANE COUNTY In the Matter of the Estate of MICHAEL DEAN BARNHART, Case No. 21PB02841. **NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS.** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jeffrey J. Barnhart has been appointed as the personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, to the Personal Representative's attorney, Ted A. Troutman, Troutman Law Firm, P.C., 5075 SW Griffith Dr., Ste. 220, Beaverton, OR 97005, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative or the attorney for the personal representative, Ted A. Troutman, Troutman Law Firm, P.C., 5075 SW Griffith Dr. Ste. 220, Beaverton, OR 97005. Dated and first published on April 22, 2021. /s/ Jeffrey J. Barnhart, Personal Representative

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LANE COUNTY, In the Matter of the Estate of NETTIE SCHOOLCRAFT, Deceased. Case No. 21PB02226 **NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS.** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of

the above entitled estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the personal representative, care of Wasley Law Office, PC, 142 West 8th Avenue, Eugene, Oregon 97401, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative, Philip Wasley. Dated and first published April 15, 2021. Personal Representative: Maycie Williamson

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LANE COUNTY, OSCAR COX; Plaintiff, v. JAMES GIBSON, JR.; HELEN MASON; AND DOES 1-10, BEING THE HEIRS AT LAW AND/OR DEVISEES OF S.A GIBSON ALSO KNOWN AS SILAS A. GIBSON; Defendants. Case No. 21CV09112 **SUMMONS.** TO: Defendants James Gibson, Jr. and Does 1-10, being the heirs at law and/or devisees of S.A. Gibson also known as Silas A. Gibson. IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and defend the Complaint filed against you in the above case within thirty days after the first date of publication of this summons, and if you fail to appear and defend, the Plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The object of the Complaint and the demand for relief are: The Plaintiff seeks to quiet title in the real property described below which Plaintiff acquired through adverse possession. The real property is described as follows: Beginning at a point in the West line of the Northeast One Quarter of the Southeast One Quarter of Section 10, Township 18 South, Range 12 West, Willamette Meridian; said point bearing West 1327.12 feet and South 563.26 feet from the East One Quarter Corner of said Section 10; thence East for 526.33 feet more or less to the Western Right of Way Line South 39° 09' 05" East for 16.42 feet more or less; thence leaving said Western Right of Way Line West for 536.74 feet more or less to said West line of said Northeast One Quarter of the Southeast One Quarter of Section 10, Township 18 South, Range 12 West, Willamette Meridian; thence along

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Across

1 "Dis or ___" ("You Don't Know Jack" round)
4 Ozone depleter, for short
7 Brotherhood brothers
12 Obama's first chief of staff Rahm
14 Fragmented
16 "Feel the need to get in hot water? Ask your doctor if ___ is right for you."
17 "Are you managing your health under 'New Rules'? Ask your doctor if ___ ..."
19 Our top story?
20 Things to pick
22 Film set in cyberspace
23 T, on a grandfather clock
24 Chime in
26 Prefix meaning "iron-containing"
27 Maritime patrol org.
29 "Lack of unusual influences getting you down? Ask your doctor if ___ ..."
31 "Atlas Shrugged" novelist Rand
33 "And giving ___, up the chimney he rose"
34 Marlins' MLB div.
35 In-browser programs
39 Tiny amounts
41 Conk out
42 Feast on the beach
44 Roman 101
45 "Do you need to reach higher in life? Ask your doctor if ___ ..."
48 Aquafina rival
52 Game show host Convy and Muppet ... well, we don't get a last name
53 Gnocchi-like dumplings (from the Italian for "naked")
55 "Who Let the Dogs Out?" group Baha ___
56 "You're in trou-bille ..."
57 Poison lead singer

Down

1 "Done it before" feeling
2 Cremona violins
3 Gambit
4 Capital of the 21-Down Empire
5 Moroccan hat
6 Medical center
7 Age range for most high-schoolers
8 Heavy burden
9 Bucks' org.
10 Out of ___ (askew)
11 Like some renditions
13 Rapa ___ (Easter Island, to locals)
15 Trivia quiz website that also offers pub trivia
18 Licorice-flavored seeds
21 See 4-Down
25 Kept inside
26 Former Army base in N.J.
28 Gadot of "Wonder Woman"
30 Scarfed, even more slangily
32 Barks sharply
35 Marinated Philippine dishes
36 Disinfectant ingredient
37 Kuala Lumpur's ___
Towers skyscrapers
38 Provide table talk?
40 "What's the ___?" ("So what?")
43 ___ Reader (alternative digest)
46 Home of Odysseus and Penelope
47 Won on eBay, usually
49 Took an x-ray of, perhaps
50 Kendall or Kylie
51 Consumption
54 Cozumel y Mallorca, por ejemplo
57 Rite performed by a mohel
59 Dairy dweller
61 Some two-door Audi models
63 One of "Two Virgins" on a 1968 album cover

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FREE WILL ASTROLOGY

BY ROB BREZSNY

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19): Poet Allen Ginsberg despairingly noted that many people want MORE MORE MORE LIFE, but they go awry because they allow their desire for MORE MORE MORE LIFE to fixate on material things — machines, possessions, gizmos and status symbols. Ginsberg revered different kinds of longings: for good feelings, meaningful experiences, soulful breakthroughs, deep awareness and all kinds of love. In accordance with astrological potentials, Aries, I'm giving you the go-ahead in the coming weeks to be extra greedy for the stuff in the second category.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20): In her poem "Mirror," Taurus poet Halina Poświatowska wrote, "I am dazed by the beauty of my body." I applaud her brazen admiration and love for her most valuable possession. I wish more of us could genuinely feel that same adoration for our own bodies. And in accordance with current astrological omens, I recommend that you do indeed find a way to do just that right now. It's time to upgrade your excitement about being in such a magnificent vessel. Even if it's not in perfect health, it performs amazing marvels every minute of every day. I hope you will boost your appreciation for its miraculous capacities and increase your commitment to treating it as the treasure that it is.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20): Gemini poet Buddy Wakefield writes that after the Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami of 2004, "the only structure still standing in the wiped-out village of Malacca [in Malaysia] was a statue of Mahatma Gandhi. I wanna be able to stand like that." I expect you will indeed enjoy that kind of stability and stamina in the coming weeks, my dear. You won't have to endure a metaphorical tsunami, thank Goddess, but you may have to stand strong through a blustery brouhaha or swirling turbulence. Here's a tip: The best approach is not to be stiff and unmoving like a statue, but rather flexible and willing to sway.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22): No educator had ever offered a class in psychology until trail-blazing philosopher William James did so in 1875. He knew a lot about human behavior. "Most people live in a very restricted circle of their potential being," he wrote. "They make use of a very small portion of their possible consciousness, and of their soul's resources in general, much like a person who, out of his whole bodily organism, should get into a habit of using only his little finger." I'm going to make an extravagant prediction here: I expect that in the coming months you will be better primed than ever before to expand your access to your consciousness, your resources and your potential. How might you begin such an adventure? The first thing to do is to set a vivid intention to do just that.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22): "Someone in me is suffering and struggling toward freedom," wrote Greek author Nikos Kazantzakis. To that melodramatic announcement, I reply, good for him! I'm glad he was willing to put himself through misery and despair in order to escape misery and despair. But I also think it's important to note that there are other viable approaches to the quest for liberation. For example, having lavish fun and enjoying oneself profoundly can be tremendously effective in that holy work. I suspect that in the coming weeks, Leo, the latter approach will accomplish far more for you than the former.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22): Virgo novelist Agatha Christie sold hundreds of millions of books, and is history's most-translated author. While growing up, she had few other kids to associate with, so she created a host of imaginary friends to fill the void. They eventually became key players in her work as an author, helping her dream up stories. More than that: She simply loved having those invisible characters around to keep her company. Even in her old age, she still consorted with them. I bring this to your attention, Virgo, because now is a great time to acquire new imaginary friends or resurrect old ones. Guardian angels and ancestral spirits would be good to call on, as well. How might they be of assistance and inspiration to you?

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22): "To hurry pain is to leave a classroom still in session," notes Libran aphorist Yahia Lababidi. On the other hand, he observes, "To prolong pain is to miss the next lesson." If he's correct, the goal is to dwell with your pain for just the right amount of time — until you've learned its lessons and figured out how not to experience it again in the future — but no longer than that. I suspect that such a turning point will soon be arriving for you.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21): In her poem "Every Day," Scorpio poet Denise Levertov wrote, "Every day, every day I hear enough to fill a year of nights with wondering." I think that captures the expansive truth of your life in the coming weeks. You've entered a phase when the sheer abundance of interesting input may at times be overwhelming, though enriching. You'll hear — and hopefully be receptive to — lots of provocative stories, dynamic revelations and unexpected truths. Be grateful for this bounty! Use it to transform whatever might be stuck, whatever needs a catalytic nudge.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21): I hope you're not too stressed these days. There has been pressure on you to adjust more than maybe you'd like to adjust, and I hope you've managed to find some relaxing slack amidst the heaviness. But even if the inconvenience levels are deeper than you like, I have good news: It's all in a good cause. Read the wise words of author Dan Millman, who describes the process you're midway through: "Every positive change, every jump to a higher level of energy and awareness, involves a rite of passage. Each time we ascend to a higher rung on the ladder of personal evolution, we must go through a period of discomfort, of initiation. I have never found an exception."

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19): We can safely say that Anais Nin was a connoisseur of eros and sensuality. The evidence includes her three collections of erotic writing, *Delta of Venus*, *Little Birds*, and *AuLeiris*. Here's one of her definitive statements on the subject: "Sex must be mixed with tears, laughter, words, promises, jealousy, envy, all the spices of fear, foreign travel, new faces, stories, dreams, fantasies, music." In response to Nin's litany, I'm inclined to say, "Damn, that's a lot of ambiance and scaffolding to have in place. Must it always be so complicated?" According to my reading of upcoming cosmic rhythms, you won't need such a big array of stuff in your quest for soulful orgasms — at least not in the coming weeks. Your instinct for rapture will be finely tuned.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18): "One is always at home in one's past," wrote author Vladimir Nabokov. I agree. Sometimes that's not a good thing, though. It may lead us to flee from the challenges of the present moment and go hide and cower and wallow in nostalgia. But on other occasions, the fact that we are always at home in the past might generate brilliant healing strategies. It might rouse in us a wise determination to refresh our spirit by basking in the deep solace of feeling utterly at home. I think the latter case is likely to be true for you in the coming weeks, Aquarius.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20): "Not everything is supposed to become something beautiful and long-lasting," writes author Emery Allen. "Not everyone is going to stay forever." Her message is a good one for you to keep in mind right now. You're in a phase when transitory boosts and temporary help may be exactly what you need most. I suspect your main task in the coming weeks is to get maximum benefit from influences that are just passing through your life. The catalysts that work best could be those that work only once and then disappear.

Homework: Write an essay on "What I Swear I'll Never Do Again As Long As I Live — Unless I Can Get Away with It Next Time." FreeWillAstrology.com

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LANE COUNTY. Probate Department. In the Matter of the Estate of: RUSSELL ROBERT LEE, Deceased. Case No. 21PB02919 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS. NOTICE IS GIVEN that Dessi Armelle Lee has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative c/o Robert Cole Tozer, Attorney at Law, 975 Oak St., Suite 615, Eugene, OR 9704, (541)345-0795, within four months of the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the personal representative's attorney, Robert Cole Tozer. DATED and first published April 15, 2021. Personal Representative /s/ Dessi Armelle Lee

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LANE COUNTY. FIRST TECHNOLOGY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, doing business as FIRST TECH FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff, v. BRANDON LEE DUDLEY, Defendant. Case No. 21CV05717 SUMMONS. TO: Brandon Lee Dudley, 1658 Ono Avenue, Eugene, OR 97404. IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the above case within thirty days after the date of service of this summons on you, and if you fail to appear and defend, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal document called a "motion" or "answer." The "motion" or "answer" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the plaintiff's attorney or, if the plaintiff does not have an attorney, proof of service on the plaintiff. If you have questions, you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may contact the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service online at www.oregonstatebar.org or by calling (503)684-3763 (in the Portland metropolitan area) or toll-free elsewhere in Oregon

at (800)452-7636. **HERSHNER HUNTER, LLP** By: /s/Donald J. Churnside. Donald J. Churnside, OSB No. 791876, Of Attorneys for Plaintiff, 180 East 11th Avenue, P.O. Box 1475, Eugene, Oregon 97440. Telephone: (541) 686-8511, Fax: (541) 344-2025, Email: dchurnside@hershnerhunter.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LANE COUNTY. In the Matter of the Estate of JAMES DOWD, Deceased. Probate Case No. 21PB00083 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to Mark P. O'Donnell, attorney for Personal Representative, at O'Donnell Law Firm LLC, 1 Centerpointe Dr., Ste 505, Lake Oswego, OR 97035, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative, Mark P. O'Donnell. Dated and first published April 15, 2021. Personal Representative, Ellen Hannan. Attorney for Personal Representative: Mark P. O'Donnell, OSB No. 681192, O'Donnell Law Firm LLC, 1 Centerpointe Dr., Ste 505, Lake Oswego, OR 97035, (503)274-1155, email: mark@odf.net

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LANE. DAVID HIND and CATHRYNE HIND, Plaintiffs, vs. ANNA MARIA RODRIGUEZ and JOSHUA DUANE BENNETT, dba BENNETT ALL- PHASE CONSTRUCTION RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL, Defendants. Case No. 21CV05014 SUMMONS. TO DEFENDANTS: Anna Maria Rodriguez and Joshua Duane Bennett, dba All-Phase Construction Residential and Commercial. COMPLAINT: A Complaint has been filed against you by Plaintiffs David Hind and Cathryne Hind for Breach of Contract, Negligence, and Property Damage seeking damages in the amount of \$68,465. IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and defend the Complaint filed against you in the above-entitled cause within thirty (30) days from the date of first publication of this Summons. If you fail to appear and defend, the Plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the Court a legal paper called a "Motion" or "Answer." The "Motion" or "Answer" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within thirty (30) days of the date of first publication specified herein along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have Proof of Service on the Plaintiff's attorney or, if the Plaintiff does not have an attorney, Proof of Service on the Plaintiff. If you have questions, you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may contact the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service online at <http://www.oregonstatebar.org> or by calling (503) 684-3763 or toll-free in Oregon at (800) 452- 7636. The name and address of the court is: Lane County Circuit Court, 125 E. 8th Avenue, Eugene, OR 97401, (541) 682-4020. The name, address, and telephone number of Plaintiffs' attorney is: Kevin W. Bons, Beekley & Bons, P.C., P.O. Box 11098, Eugene, OR 97440, (541)683-0888. DATED and first published this 15th day of April, 2021.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Marilyn A. Nippold has been appointed and has qualified as the personal representative of the Estate of Doris A. Bricher, deceased, in Lane County Circuit Court Case No. 21PB02457. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below to the personal representative c/o Tami S.P. Beach, 1184 Olive Street, Eugene, OR 97401, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Date of first publication: 04/22/21. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Marilyn A. Nippold, 4496 Shadow Wood Drive, Eugene, OR 97405. ATTORNEY FOR PERS. REP.: Tami S.P. Beach, 1184 Olive Street, Eugene, OR 97401

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Sandra L. Giannandrea has been appointed and has qualified as the personal representative of the Estate of Wetona Irene Hanson, deceased, in Lane County Circuit Court Case No. 21PB02302. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below to the personal representative c/o Tami S.P. Beach, 1184 Olive Street, Eugene, OR 97401, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Date of first publication: 04/22/21. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Sandra L. Giannandrea, Trustee the Wetona Hanson Living Trust, UAD February 24, 2010, 22058 N. Massif Rd. Rathdrum, ID 83858. ATTORNEY FOR PERS. REP.: Tami S.P. Beach, 1184 Olive Street, Eugene, OR 97401

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NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Linda Lee Smith, deceased, Lane County Probate No. 21PB02351. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Personal Representative at 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights



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may be affected by the proceedings in this Estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published: 04/15/21. Darcy K. Ornelas, Personal Representative. Kay Hyde-Patton, Attorney for Personal Representative, Leahy Cox, LLP, 188 W. B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477 (541) 746-9621

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Donald Leslie Hammett, deceased, Lane County Probate No. 21PBO1988. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Personal Representative at 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this Estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published: 04/15/21. Bryan L. Hammett, Personal Representative. Kay Hyde-Patton, Attorney for Personal Representative, Leahy Cox, LLP, 188 W. B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477 (541) 746-9621

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Ingrid Anne Thornquist, deceased, Lane County Probate No. 21PBO2924. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Personal Representative at 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this Estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published: 04/15/21. Helen A. Daniel, Personal Representative. Kay Hyde-Patton, Attorney for Personal Representative, Leahy Cox, LLP, 188 W. B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, (541) 746-9621

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Ruth Ann Gullickson, deceased, Lane County Probate No. 21PBO2795. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Personal Representative at 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this Estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published: 04/22/21. /s/ Lori A. Diaz, Personal Representative. Alex E. Gavriilidis, Attorney for Personal Representative, Leahy Cox, 188 W. B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, (541)746-9621

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Larry Don Jeffries, deceased, Lane County Probate No. 21PBO3339. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Personal Representative at 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this Estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published: 04/29/21. /s/ Robert M. Marinos, Personal Representative. Alex E. Gavriilidis, Attorney for Personal Representative Leahy Cox, LLP, 188 W. B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, (541) 746-9621

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned is the acting Trustee of the Scott P. Wilber Irrevocable Trust under agreement dated August 24, 2020, and is currently in existence. All persons having claims against Scott P. Wilber or the Scott P. Wilber Irrevocable Trust are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Trustee at 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this Trust may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Trustee. Dated and first published: 04/22/21. /s/ Kristin Lidbom, Trustee. Kay Hyde-Patton, Attorney for Trustee, Leahy Cox, LLP, 188 W. B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, (541)746-9621

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS: Probate administration proceedings in the Estate of Scott R. Volkenand, Deceased, are now pending in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Lane County, Case No. 21PBO3174, and Gail Volkenand has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present the

same, with proper vouchers, to the Personal Representative, c/o Gleaves Swearingen LLP, Attorneys at Law, 975 Oak Street, Suite 800, Eugene, OR 97401, within 4 months from the date of the first publication of this notice or such claims may be barred. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN to all persons whose rights may be affected by the above-entitled proceedings that additional information may be obtained from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative or the attorneys for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published this 22nd day of April, 2021.

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Aiko T. Kerns, deceased, Lane County Probate No. 21PBO1605. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Personal Representative at 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this Estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published: 04/15/2021. /s/ Judy Peters, Personal Representative. Kay Hyde-Patton, Attorney for Personal Representative, Leahy Cox, LLP, 188 W. B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, (541)746-9621


THE LANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S ADULT CORRECTIONS has in its possession the unclaimed personal property of the individuals listed below. If you have any ownership interest in any of that unclaimed property, you must file a claim at the Lane County Jail, 101 W 5th Ave., Eugene, OR 97401, within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, or you will lose your interest in that property: Jonathan Appelt (books), Garrett Brown (bag of paperwork/property), Tamatha Kirschleren (backpack), Anthony Miller (books), Kenneth Schwartz (paper bag), Isiah Thomashemmingway (backpack).

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Quickies
BY DAN SAVAGE



I have a quick question about bisexuality. What if one has a preference for dating straight individuals? As a straight woman, I am only interested in dating straight men. Is that some kind of phobia? Or is it OK for that to be a preference? I've always wanted to ask someone this but I'm afraid of being thought of as having a phobia.

— **Nervously Asking Dan Something**

I think you're fine, NADS, so long as you've taken a moment to think about why you're burdened with this "preference." Our sexual attractions, orientations and preferences are easily distorted and limited by prejudice. If you reflect on what might be at the root of your "preference" for men who are straight (or for men who'll tell you they are), NADS, you might be able to open yourself up to more partners. But a person can reflect day and night for decades and still feel the same way. At the very least, though, we can all be thoughtful about our erotic and/or sexual biases, take responsibility for them, be considerate about how we express them and — perhaps most importantly — do our best not to transit them. I'm not into shame, but not finding a particular group of people attractive for whatever reason is something we can keep to ourselves — not just to avoid doing harm to people we aren't attracted to, but to avoid passing our erotic biases and limitations on to the next generation.

My wife and I (lesbian moms together) have been invited to her cousin's wedding. And she's marrying the son of a former Republican statewide official who, in the early 2000's, turned the power of his state against gays, especially gay parents. His son hasn't renounced his views — in fact, he's converted his fiancée, my cousin-in-law, to Trumpism. If it's relevant, they're more country-club homophobes than rednecks. They want to be seen as mainstream and pleasant, and they now live in a very liberal city and hide their views so they're not pariahs. Not sure how to handle — simply not responding? Citing his father's views in the RSVP? Never going to any family function where they will be, ever? I really don't want my kid around these people, but also, I feel like maybe I should go to set an example. But then, wearing my best suit and tie to a Trump wedding deep in a red state makes me worried for my physical safety.

— **What would you do?**

I would send my regrets along with a broken toaster and the wrong receipt.

I have a cult fascination with the film Withnail and I. OK, I love this film. But I am troubled by the perspective this film offers on homosexuality. It's not what one would call a "modern perspective." I believe the film's portrayal of homosexuality can be seen as funny or alarming, or a cultural reference point. I think it's all three. My son is gay, and with some introductory apologies, I want to tell him to watch the film. Apologies for "trial ballooning" something like this with you, Mr. Savage, and I know you are not the standard-issue gay, as if such a thing exists. But have you seen the film? And if so, your thoughts?

— **Friend Of Withnail**

I've never seen the film but a quick Google search of *Withnail and I* and "homophobic" brings up nearly 100,000 results. Apparently one of the film's main characters (Uncle Monty) is a "predatory homosexual" who makes unwelcome a series of advances on one of the male leads. "Is the film homophobic? Yes, undoubtedly," Philip Caveney writes at Bouquets & Brickbats. Richard Griffiths, the actor who plays Monty, "somehow manages to evoke genuine sympathy for a tragic character who is, more than anything else, lonely — but all the talk about buggery by force does make you feel rather uncomfortable." The film was released in 1987 — which in no way excuses the homophobia, of course, but you'd be hard pressed to find a popular film released in 1987 that wasn't deeply homophobic either by commission (the hateful portrayal of gay characters) or by omission (the complete absence of gay characters). Still, the film doesn't portray homosexuality, FOW, it portrays an individual homosexual. It was doubtless a damaging portrayal at the time, as there were so few other representations of gay characters on TV or in film back then. But viewed now — viewed at a time when there are more representations of gay people in film and television than ever before — it doesn't have the power to do the same damage. So go ahead and recommend the film to your son, FOW, with the appropriate qualifiers and apologies.

I just got dumped in a pretty brutal and inconsiderate way by a guy I really liked. He didn't want to tell me it was over; he just pulled away and left me to figure it out on my own. We were dating for a year and he even started dating someone else and didn't bother to inform me, but didn't hide it from me either. I feel depressed and really sad because I still like him and I miss him and I don't know what to do.

— **Sad And Depressed Over New Ending**

If he did that... if he broke up with you like that... you didn't like him. Not really. You liked the idea of him you formed in your head. He gave you the outline of a decent guy and you filled that outline in with everything you hoped he was, i.e. a kind, loving, decent guy who was as into you as you were into him. Or at the very least, SADONE, a guy who cared enough about your feelings to end things in a kind and considerate manner if it came to that. You can and should feel sad about losing the guy you hoped he was, but don't feel sad about losing the guy he turned out to be. Because that guy was an asshole.

I was just listening to the Savage Lovecast (Episode 750) and you were responding to a fella who was ejaculating sooner than he would like. I wanted to say that I, a female, had a male partner who always came twice. Once was quick and he played it cool, and just owned that that was how he operated. We switched to a new condom and could go for much longer the second time! Own it, guys! No need for shame about your body's functionality.

— **Come And Come Again**

It's good advice for men who suffer from premature ejaculation (PE) — don't try to stop that first orgasm and you're likely to last longer as you build to a second — but that advice works better for younger men with shorter refractory periods. The older a man gets, the longer his refractory period becomes; if your partner's second orgasm took 12-24 hours to arrive, well, that's a long time to wait, no condom or no new condom. Older guys with premature ejaculation might want to try low-dose SSRIs, i.e. antidepressants; one of the side effects of SSRIs is delayed ejaculation and studies have shown that they are a pretty effective treatment for PE.

I saw your response to DTFOMBNB, the gay man who wanted an emotionally intimate, sexless relationship and the freedom to seek casual sex elsewhere. You mentioned asexuals and cucks as potential partners for the intimate-but-sexless-relationship part, Dan, but I wanted to mention another possibility: I'm a gay guy in my 50s and I learned relatively late in life that I'm on the autism spectrum. Specifically, I have Asperger's syndrome. That diagnosis was part of what resulted from my first long-term, cohabiting relationship, during which I found that I couldn't manage intense emotional intimacy and physical intimacy at the same time. I loved my boyfriend and cherished a lot of what we shared. I loved conversations, cuddling, traveling, etc. But adding sexual intimacy on top of all that just felt overwhelming. I can't say that my experience reflects those of all people with autism, but to me, what DTFOMBNB describes is similar to how I've envisioned any future relationship I might enter into. The bad news is that pretty much all of the relationship-oriented guys I've encountered on dating sites are looking for a relationship that combines emotional and sexual intimacy, so it's not an easy ask. But there are definitely men like me out there looking for what DTFOMBNB wants.

— **A Sexual Partnership Isn't Essential**

Considering how many people wind up in sexless relationships, ASPIE, it stands to reason that some non-insignificant percentage of the population wants a sexless relationship. But so long as people who want intimate-but-sexless relationships don't feel comfortable asking for it — so long as guys like you and DTFOMBNB assume no one else could possibly want what you're offering and so you don't offer, e.g. you don't put it out there on the dating apps — you're going to have a hard time finding each other.

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